

Title (en)  
Power transfer apparatus.

Title (de)  
Kraftübertragungsgerät.

Title (fr)  
Dispositif à transfert de puissance.

Publication  
**EP 0280532 A2 19880831 (EN)**

Application  
**EP 88301587 A 19880224**

Priority  
US 1888287 A 19870225

Abstract (en)  
A power transfer unit coupling two otherwise separate hydraulic systems for bidirectional transfer of hydraulic power therebetween without transfer of fluid between the two systems. The unit comprises power transfer apparatus characterised in that it comprises a first variable displacement fluid pump-motor unit (50) having associated high and low pressure fluid ports (34,36) for connection to a first pressure fluid source (14), and a first rotary shaft (66) the first unit (50) being operable to convert energy between pressurised fluid flow and mechanical rotation of the first shaft (66); a second fixed displacement fluid pump-motor unit (68) also having associated high and low pressure fluid ports (42,44) for connection to a second pressure fluid source (14') and a second rotary shaft (80), the second unit (68) being operable to convert energy between pressurised fluid flow and mechanical rotation of the second shaft (80), the first and second shafts (66,80) being mechanically interconnected for common rotation to transmit power between the first and second units (50,68) without mixture of their respective fluids; and control means (32) for adjusting the displacement of the first unit (50), the control means (32) being responsive to the pressures of the high pressure ports (34,42) of both the first and second units (50,68) and being operable to maintain the pressure differential therebetween below a preselected level whenever the first and second shafts (50,68) are rotating.

IPC 1-7  
**F01B 3/00; F04B 1/30; F16H 39/04**

IPC 8 full level  
**B64C 13/40** (2006.01); **F01B 3/00** (2006.01); **F01B 3/02** (2006.01); **F03C 1/00** (2006.01); **F03C 1/253** (2006.01); **F03C 1/26** (2006.01); **F03C 1/40** (2006.01); **F04B 1/00** (2006.01); **F04B 1/34** (2006.01); **F04B 49/00** (2006.01); **F15B 11/16** (2006.01)

CPC (source: EP US)  
**F01B 3/0032** (2013.01 - EP US); **F01B 3/02** (2013.01 - EP US)

Cited by  
EP0851121A1; US2013125536A1; CN103946462A; US9096115B2; WO2012069118A1

Designated contracting state (EPC)  
DE FR GB IT SE

DOCDB simple family (publication)  
**EP 0280532 A2 19880831; EP 0280532 A3 19890719; EP 0280532 B1 19930107**; DE 3877225 D1 19930218; DE 3877225 T2 19930429; JP S64364 A 19890105; US 4763472 A 19880816

DOCDB simple family (application)  
**EP 88301587 A 19880224**; DE 3877225 T 19880224; JP 4406488 A 19880225; US 1888287 A 19870225